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CONGRATULATIONS to W.

G. Harris, who was recently elected President of the Wine and Spirit Merchants' Association in succession to V. H. Peate. Once again the Association has made a good choice, as Geoff Harris' many friends will be most willing to testify.

them all a very sincere welcome, with the wish that they could be with us more often.

ONCE again our sympathy and good wishes to members in hospital. Among them: Dr. Lex Caselberg, in Royal Prince Alfred, and W. Lieberman.

IT is, unfortunately, not possible to list the many interstate and country members whom we have seen recently in the Club — particularly during the Spring Carnival. But we give

DOWN in Sydney for a visit, and, we hope, enjoying in some small measure a return of the hospitality his Club recently gave our cricketers, is M. McCarthy, Committeeman of Tattersall's Club, Brisbane.



Bill Payne —

Drawn by
A. A. MAILEY

Happy Birthday to You!

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A. R. Harrison	

Members are invited to notify the Secretary of the date of their Birthday.

RECENT visitors were "Son" Hardiman, J. McEncroe, A. Campbell — all Committeemen of the Victorian Club. Almost enough of the Victorian executive, in fact, to form a Subcommittee-in-Sydney!

AND to complete the picture of visiting Committeemen, Mr. F. Brady, of Tattersall's Club, Perth — over here for a few weeks from West Australia.

THERE was pleasure in seeing Chris O'Rourke in the Club again recently, after a long spell in hospital. He is still in the convalescent stage, but hopes to be with us more often as his health returns.

CON CROWLEY, chairman of Brisbane Tattersall's Cricket Club — the "Back-seaters," has been suffering a return of the hospitality experienced by our cricketers in the Brisbane Club. With one of his fellow-members, Jack Hannay, he has been a fairly frequent visitor during his recent stay in Sydney.

ANOTHER old friend we are particularly pleased to see up and about again is Cyril Brice, who spent some time recently as a patient in Prince Henry Hospital.

CLIVE OGILVY, who went away so quickly after his appointment as manager of 2GB that we scarcely had time to congratulate him, has just returned from his trip to the States. There's still time to make up for lost time in wishing him well on his appointment.

TRAVELLING at the rate of about eighteen miles to the pound of grilled steak, Ray Vaughan and Bill Sellen have just completed a leisurely trip by car to Brisbane and back. They renewed many friendships on the way, particularly at Newcastle and Brisbane itself.

STAN RAVENSCROFT sends his regards — he is enjoying every minute of his tour of the Continent.

A NUMBER of members were welcomed back by friends during and just before the Spring Meetings: J. Harris, S. Blau, H. Austin, Arthur Browning; E. A. Nettlefold, H. Nagel, A. K. Weber, Clive Ogilvy . . . among others.

MR. JUSTICE HERRON—Les Herron—is to be congratulated on his election as president of the N.S.W. Amateur Swimming Association. And the Association is to be congratulated on their choice of President. He takes over from another member, W. W. Hill, who filled the office with distinction for the last twelve months.

AND congratulations to genial Bernie Stapleton, now recovered sufficiently from his recent illness to accept the presidency of Sydney Bicycle Club.

DAVE MACKIE, Chairman of Newcastle Tattersall's, who has nearly as many friends among our members as in his own Club, is now making the acquaintance of Perth Tattersall's during a visit to West Australia.

WORLD traveller Mick Zammit, currently in the U.S.A., sends greetings to his confreres. Latest information on his movements indicates that he should be back by Christmas.

EDITORIAL:

RACING — AND ITS CRITICS

The Spring racing season, climaxing in Melbourne with the greatest handicap race in Australia, and among the greatest in the world, holds for Australians a tremendous fascination.

Shouldn't it be curbed? It is well to put the question here since it is being advanced elsewhere by people who are not inconsequential and who do not favour abolition but reduction.

Of course, it is an old question, something of a hardy annual, but to ignore it on that score would be to place the sport in some peril.

Evidence uncontested is likely to acquire substance and invoke a credence which defies confounds.

So we who believe in horse-racing as a sport, highlighted in the Spring, must enter our pleas rationally.

We should not dismiss the other fellow's viewpoint when it is supported by reason, however vexed we may be.

We must, or should, range on the side of racing primarily as a sport, not as a means of enriching any section, and we must, or should, demand that it be kept clean.

Anything less, any show of sentimentality for wrongdoers — fixers and such — must be discouraged.

Those, and those only, are the grounds on which the critics may be answered — and worsted.



J. J. O'Leary in Successful Bisley Shoot

J. J. O'LEARY, whose portrait is herewith, will be remembered by many of the Club members as he was an honorary member during a recent visit to Australia. He is well known as an International rifle shot, and is well known also in Australia for his achievements.

He is pictured here after the shoot at Bisley, England, hav-

ing won 2 Firsts, 3 Seconds and 2 Third Prizes, including 2 Challenge Cups pictured here.

J.J., as he is known, is now living in Ireland, but pays his regular visits to Bisley and other shooting centres. His address in London is the American Club, where, no doubt, he will be pleased to hear from visiting sportsmen.

"A DOUBLE OCCASION"

THERE was a large gathering of members in the Clubroom on Thursday, 27th September, to mark two very auspicious occasions. The first was the presentation by the Chairman, Mr. John Hickey, of the Honorary Life Membership Badge to Treasurer John Roles — see story and picture on inside back cover of this issue. The second, the presentation by the Chairman to the winners and runners-up of the Jubilee Billiards and Snooker Tournaments, of the Club and Members' trophies. John Hickey expressed the sentiments of all members in his usual apt and entertaining way, in both presentations. Speeches in reply were amusing and more-than-ordinarily pithy because a time-limit was applied to the thanks of recipients of the billiards and snooker trophies. It was a pleasant gathering, happily met to honour fellow-members. The Chairman and committee were hosts at cocktails and refreshments before and after the ceremonies.

THE Billiards Sub-Committee is to be congratulated on the success of the Jubilee Tournaments, brought so smoothly to their final conclusion in this presentation of trophies. The "field" this year was one of the largest ever, reflecting the revival of interest in billiards and snooker in the Club. The Sub-Committee is already making plans for future tournaments, and hopes that the competitors of the games just completed will not forget in the meantime the old proverb that "practice makes perfect."

JUST a reminder: that racing entries close for the Club's double fixture at Randwick on December 29 and January 1 in just a month's time — 3 p.m. of 26th November.

U.K. Likes our Jockeys— U.S. Likes our Horses

Jack Mandel, recently returned from a flying trip to England and the United States, spent much of his time away studying breeding and racing. With his wide knowledge of the Sport of Kings, gained both in Australia and in previous visits overseas, his impressions are worth recording.

IN England, where he was seeking breeding stock, he found prices high and, after determining the lines he liked, he decided to leave any possible purchases until the end of the English flat-racing season. Once again, the basic cost of racing, from the racegoer's point of view, amazed him. Most English meetings are costly to get to, and entry to Leger or Paddock about five times as expensive as here. Racing in the United Kingdom is a rich man's sport, not the popular relaxation it is in Australia. "Australian racing followers," says Jack Mandel, "do not realise how well off they are at courses like Randwick — or even at the country meetings."

But there are some aspects of English meetings which are an improvement on ours; for example, acceptance of tote betting on distant meetings, and, in some cases, quotation of off-

the-course odds. And, because English racing is a rich man's sport, champagne is the Course drink — very nice, if you like champagne!

Australian jockeys have gained a great deal of popularity with English racegoers. Their conduct on and off the course, as well as their riding has been of a very high standard, and the British racing public have been quick to appreciate it. English crowds usually call the name of the jockey, rather than the horse, when a finish is being battled out; to Mandel it was like a breath from home to hear the crowd shout, "Come on, Cook."

In the States, Jack Mandel was exploring the possibilities of disposing of Australian brood mares, particularly mares got late in foal, who although at a disadvantage under the Australian calendar, would be fairly well timed to catch the American

season. He found that the Americans were interested in the idea, and he hopes to be able to take it further. Australian stud stock rates highly in the States. Both Bernborough and Shannon look like proving very satisfactory at the stud. Bernborough's get are just commencing to race, with some success. Shannon's progeny are too young yet, but it is reported that several of the colts look very promising. Jack Mandel had the opportunity of seeing both the Australian stallions, as well as many of the world-famous American sires while in Kentucky.

Another idea in which Americans were interested was the possibility of a series of trotting challenges between champion New Zealand, Australian and American horses.

Jack Mandel is glad to be back home — particularly glad, as he was twice in near-mishaps in planes in the States. He is sure that, despite the distances and the difficulties, there are many opportunities for Australian breeders in the markets overseas.

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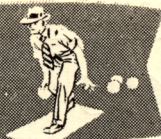
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6.15 to 8.15 p.m.

SATURDAY, 6.15 to
11 p.m.



Games at Waverley Highlight of Month

This month's notes must commence with congratulations to fellow member, Sam Peters, on his fine performance in winning the Club's Jubilee Snooker Tournament. The win gave much satisfaction to fellow bowlers, and in many cases was to their pecuniary advantage. We also offer commiserations to the runner-up—veteran Larry Howarth—on his gallant bid for victory.

WE have had plenty of bowls this month, and all members are very keen.

On August 30 we played Vauclose Club at Vauclose, and as is always the case, were given a splendid welcome and had a grand game on their beautiful greens.

Details: Dwyer, Ball, Emanuel, Bloomfield (T.), 24; Lucas, Haddad, Hitchen, Chalmers (V.), 20. Bavinton, Monro, Read, Young (T.), 27; Clegg, Hurst, Chapman, Gigg (V.), 13. Saulwick, Silk, McDonald, Collins (T.), 22; Buckley, Dodds, Day, Sheedy (V.), 26. Mitchell, Dewdney, Glynn, Chatterton (T.), 15; Muller, Williams, Edson, Mitchell (V.), 23.

Totals—Tatts. 88, Vauclose 82.

On September 6 we had one of our really big days, when we were the guests of Waverley Club at luncheon. We were received by President Lyle Moore, and welcomed in the inimitable Waverley manner. After an excellent lunch the game was on, with Tatts. on the receiving end. However, we felt we had been paid a high compliment as we were pitted against practically all the club's top-notchers,

which included several interstate players. Our teams were weakened by the loss of Sam Peters and Les Fingleton (they had to play each other in the semi-final of the Snooker tournament), Jack Eaton, Harold Hill and Frank Krieger, who for various reasons were unable to be present.

The final scores (8 rinks) were Waverley 173, Tatts. 120.

Details—Irwin, Emanuel, Kippax, Dewdney (T.), 18; R. Emanuel, Coulson, Leason, Les Cubitt (W.), 27. Mitchell, Ruthven, Glynn, Traversi (T.), 19; Raymond, Blanch, Toomey, Thompson (W.), 18. Dwyer, Chew, Primrose, McIntosh (T.), 14; Cumming, Walker, Hogan, Spryer (W.), 19. Gillespie, Silk, Chatterton, Davis (T.), 10; Plant, Warton, Baker, Childs (W.), 17. Saulwick, Hole, McDonald, Bloomfield (T.), 20; Dimrick, Rayner, Sampson, Johnson (W.), 31. Relton, Williams, Read, Mahoney (T.), 14; Morris, Godfrey, O'Brien, Mullan (W.), 16. Abbott, Eastment, Jones, Young (T.), 18; Rison, Symons, Gray, Brodie (W.), 17. Bavinton, Ball, Gibbs, Collins (T.), 7; Woolcock, Shailer, Bimson, Faul (W.), 28.

On September 13 we were the guests of Bondi, where President Bert Frond gave us a warm welcome and a most enjoyable afternoon.

A close game resulted in a win for Bondi by 10 shots.

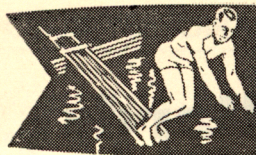
Details—Bavinton, Abbott, McDonald, Dewdney (T.), 28; Gideon, Buckle, Levy, Frond (B.), 23. Mitchell, Chew, Jones, Young (T.), 22; Hamilton, Russell, Griffin, Bruce (B.), 35. Saulwick, Hole, Williams, Traversi (T.), 20; Stephen, Deverall, Webster, Kelly (B.), 21. Dwyer, Ruthven, Read, McIntosh (T.), 22; Baker, Burnett, Stewart, Amey (B.), 23. Ball, Silk, Glynn, Peters (T.), 20; Fallon, Phillips, Robertson, Norman (B.), 19. Totals: Tatts. 111, Bondi 121.

A pat on the back to Ted Abbott who was in great touch, and got his rink out of serious bother on many occasions.

On September 20, at the invitation of Bill McDonald, 14 players visited Wollstonecraft Club, and although defeated, had a wonderful afternoon. Unfortunately, owing to a business engagement, Bill was not able to play, but visited the green before and after the game and saw that the true "Scotch Spirit" was much in evidence. Thanks, Bill, for putting on a great game for us.

Congratulations to Arthur Gillespie and Dick Relton on their election to membership of Double Bay Club, where they will enjoy good bowling with the many fine members of that Club.

Also congratulations to Alan Kippax, who has again been selected to represent N.S.W. in the State side against Queensland. Alan is truly versatile. In his youth a famous batsman, and now in his old age, a famous bowler.



IN AND OUT OF THE POOL

Swimming Ball voted "Better than Ever"!

True to form, everything went swimmingly at the Swimming Club Ball held in the Club Rooms on Saturday, 22nd September.

AS usual, the "House Full" sign went up weeks before the function but it's a safe bet that those who missed out will be in with their bookings bright and early next year.

The Ball was noteworthy from the fact that it coincided with the birthday of Tattersall's Club's Chairman, John Hickey, and those present were not slow to honour this by according our happy friend musical honours.

Our Chairman presented the season's trophies during the Pool Interlude and those who came forward to receive their just dues were John Dexter, Stuart Murray and Clive Hoole, the placed men in the "Native Son" contest, Bill Dovey, Jr., second in the Club Championship and winners of monthly Point Score Trophies, Peter Lindsay, George Goldie, John Dexter, Bill Williams, Jerry Creer, Vic Bulgin, Arthur McCamley and Clive Hoole.

Trophies were also presented to Geoff Eastment and Ken Francis who were close up in many contests without actually winning.

The Teams' Race of eight men each, swimming 40 yards, was won, after a very thrilling race, by Malcolm Fuller's team, comprising Bill Williams, Bill Sellen, Ken Francis, Jack Miller, Clive Hoole, Stuart Murray and Mick

Murphy, from Carl Phillips' and Vic Richards' teams.

The Balloon Race, in which Peter Lindsay starred in a 1900 vintage swim-suit with moustachios and all complete, was most amusing, with Carl Phillips the winner.

The nominators of the winners in both events, Mesdames Francis, Miller, Murphy, C. Phillips, Hoole, Murray and Misses Sargent, de Baun and Yeremen were the recipients of trophies as memento of the fine performances of their men-folk from our Chairman.

A pleasing feature of the Ball was the appearance of our enthusiastic swimmers, Malcolm Fuller and Arthur Webber, after their return from overseas and the occasion was also one of congratulation to Stuart Murray who was present with his bride.

To the lilting tunes of Merv Lyons' orchestra, good fellowship ruled the night and with the brightness of a particularly clever and amusing floor show, the Ball was voted one of the best ever held.

The Swimming Club Committee again desires to place on record its appreciation of the efforts of the Club officials and staff, the co-operation of whom made the night the success it was.

Racing will commence again in the Pool this month so mem-

bers are advised to watch the notice board for the exact date.

All new members will be welcomed, the more the merrier, and for their benefit it is mentioned that heats of races will take place on Tuesdays and finals on Thursdays until July, 1952.

It was with regret that swimmers learned of the passing away of Mr. Robert Hodgson, father of Bruce. Mr. Hodgson had been a constant swimmer in the Pool and had always been very interested in watching the younger men race. He had had his regular dip up to within a week of his passing.

Tattersall's Swimming Club has gained a new honour in the natatorial world by the election of Mr. Justice L. J. Herron to the Presidency of the N.S.W. Amateur Swimming Association in succession to another of our Club members, Mr. W. W. Hill.

Les Herron, as he is well known in Club circles, was an enthusiastic swimmer some time back but though he has not swum with the Club for some time, retains his interest in the boys who race these days.

He has as a colleague in the Swimming Association our Club Honorary Secretary, Jack Dexter, who is Chairman of Council. Another Club member with whom Les is associated in the Association is its Hon. Solicitor, Bill Phillips, who is also Hon. Sec.-Treasurer of the Australian Swimming Union.

Yet another of our members who is prominent in Swimming circles is Committeeman Frank Carberry, President of the Union of Old Swimmers which is doing a fine job.

Hans Robertson Wins Billiards Sam Peters Takes Snooker



Presenting the Trophies: At left, Hans Robertson; centre, Chairman John Hickey; right, Sam Peters.

(Photo., courtesy of "S.M. Herald")

HANS ROBERTSON celebrated his return to form by taking the billiards final from A. McGill on Thursday, 13th September, by 50 points. Starting on minus-40, he got going quickly to make up the leeway of his opponent's 90 handicap, with breaks of 30, 20 and 37. After another break of 32, his pace slackened, and McGill battled back gamely. However, Robertson went on to win in positive fashion. In the Snooker played on Friday, 14th, Sam Peters took the honours in two straight games from veteran L. Howarth. The first was rather drawn-out, with both contestants perhaps a little over-eager, but the second was a sparkling game, with the result in doubt up to the final black.

Results

JUBILEE BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT, 1951

SEMI-FINALS

McGill, A. J.	(Rec. 90) beat Reading, Dr. A. S.	(Rec. 150) by 53
Robertson, H. J.	(Owes 40) „ White, E. K.	(Rec. 90) „ 37

PLAY-OFF—3rd and 4th Places

White, E. K.	(Rec. 90) beat Reading, Dr. A. S.	(Rec. 150) by 8
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FINAL

Robertson, H. J.	(Owes 40) beat McGill, A. J.	(Rec. 90) by 50
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JUBILEE SNOOKER TOURNAMENT, 1951

SEMI-FINALS

Howarth, L. H.	(Rec. 35) beat Bryden, G. R.	(Rec. 37) by— 92-91-1; 65-111-46; 89-79-10.
Peters, S.	(Rec. 40) beat Laforest, W. R.	(Rec. 50) by— 84-92-8; 92-83-9; 111-100-11.

PLAY-OFF—3rd and 4th Places

Laforest, W. R.	(Rec. 50) beat Bryden, G. R.	(Rec. 37) by— 96-92-4; 98-97-1.
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FINAL

Peters, S.	(Rec. 40) beat Howarth, L. H.	(Rec. 35) by— 85-78-7; 96-86-10.
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TALKING BILLIARDS?

—Let's Talk of Charlie Young

Written before and worth repeating — the principle that a good thing said is worth repeating — is that the English are the salt of the earth.

THAT may not be the considered opinion of Stalin, but it is the verdict of history—and history has a habit of recording verdicts after long, reflective pauses.

English of the English, unadulterated by long residence here, is the subject of this sketch: Charlie Young.

We do not form that judgment on his speech, which proclaims him, but on typical English qualities of reserve and tolerance.

Good sportsmanship enters also, but that is not exceptional to any one people — rather, the best of all peoples have it.

Into those introductory lines may be read the character of Charlie Young.

He came first to Australia immediately after World War I to conduct a business for a Coventry firm of toolmakers.

After putting that on a working basis, he returned to England with the idea of establishing himself as representative of English houses on the technical side. In this enterprise he was successful.

Sir Lionel Kerns, principal of H. W. Kerns & Co. Ltd. — one of the English firms which Charlie represents — has been made an honorary member of this Club on the occasions he has visited Sydney.

Before coming to Australia, Charlie Young was a member of two clubs and won the billiards championship of both.

While in France on business, he received from the chief of the firm employing him, an urgent summons by cable to return.

He rushed to the Paris office of the firm, but the people there could offer no explanation. He got aboard a steamer, endured a terrible cross-channel journey — suffering violent seasickness — and, after bathing and eating in a London hotel, 'phoned his firm to ask whaffor.

The managing director spoke: "Some fellow 'phoned and asked me to nominate someone to represent Warwickshire against the champion of Derbyshire in a billiards tournament. You must be in the Birmingham Asso-

ciation's rooms before 7 o'clock tonight, clean up that Derbyshire fellow, then go back to the Continent and get on with your work."

Charlie Young put in here: "That managing director was an industrial leader who knew what he wanted and how to get it by getting on the right side of his employees."

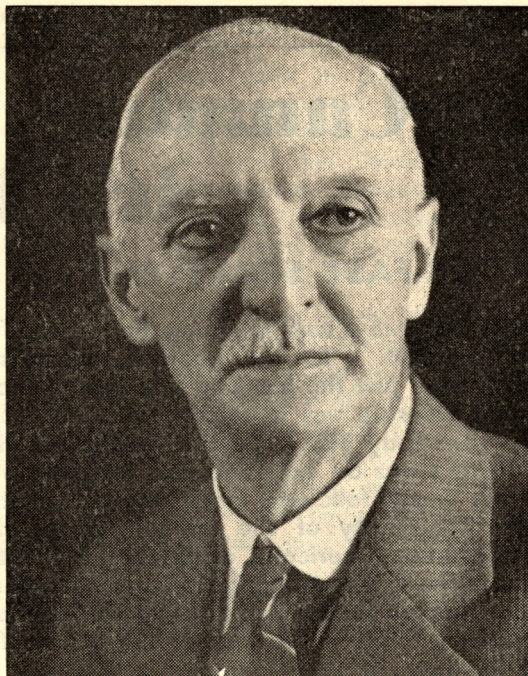
Charlie undertook a five-mile walk to get right before playing that match, which he won.

Billiards have been to our club member a grand passion played in the pastime spirit.

He takes greatest pride of all, he says, in winning the billiards-snooker double in a Tattersall's Club tournament. No one had done it before; no one has done it since.

During that period the club claimed the best players in Sydney as a team — men who competed in the State championships, such as Bill Longworth, Hans Robertson, Arthur Miller, Bill Parker, Hugh Emmerson.

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In Canada— it's ICE HOCKEY!

SUPER-FAST SPORT THRILLS PLAYERS and SPECTATORS ALIKE

It is not always easy to gauge the reasons for the popularity of a sport. To the Romans, the gladiatorial games expressed just the lust and brutality of the times, and half their pleasure was in seeing pain and death — happening to somebody else. To the knights of the middle ages, jousting was an exclusive and safe way of showing off to their womenfolk and lesser vassals. Yet who can judge the complexity of the appeal for us of, say, cricket? And to the Americans, of baseball? But the popularity of some sports is logical, particularly when climate is extreme; the reasons for Sweden's skiing, for Scotland's curling are obvious. Just as obvious is the reason for the immense popularity in the Dominion of Canada of their winter sport — Ice Hockey.

ROZEN flat surfaces have always had an appeal for the people of countries with a sharp winter. In remote ages there were competitions among adults at run-and-slide, just as children in England will do to-day on every frozen puddle. After a while, it was found that a metal-tipped piece of wood under the shoe gave a far faster slide, and skating was discovered. People played ball games on the ice, sometimes a sort of football, sometimes hitting a ball or bung with wooden sticks. In England and Scotland, and in Holland, too, bright young things of the mid-eighteenth century combined the two, the art of skating with the pleasure of hitting a bung around with a curved stick. By Victorian times, this ice-game was quite popular; rules varied according to locality, but the teams were generally five-a-side.

Scots migrants to Canada took the art of skating, and the ice-

game there with them. If it had not been for a development in the North of England, ice hockey would have been born and regularised early in the eighteenth-fifties, pre-dating Rugby and Association. But a game named Bandy became very popular about 1850, played eleven-a-side on the ice with hockey sticks and a hard rubber lacrosse ball. Bandy — the name, even, is just about forgotten now — reached international status, with matches between England and Scotland, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Switzerland. It was introduced into Canada also, and became temporarily popular, leaving the original ice-game for children and youths on the local frozen pond. And that was the downfall of Bandy. For the game called for a piece of ice 200 yards by 100, meaning that players usually had to travel to some special resort where there was a lake large enough, instead of

being able to play every Saturday afternoon.

In Canada, the ice-game came back into its own, just about the turn of the century. The organisation set up for Bandy was absorbed, and the result was that the ice-game was regularised, rules were standardised, and the equipment for playing greatly improved. The result was one of the fastest, most spectacular and skilful games in the world—Ice Hockey.

The name is a misnomer. Ice Hockey bears very little relation to ordinary hockey; in fact, the rules of play are almost unique. The greatest differences are that the field of play is contained within wooden barriers, there are no "side lines"; the goals are set within the playing area, the play can go behind them without being "outside"; and infringements are punished by suspension of the player concerned for a time-period, there are no free-hits, scrums or bully-offs. The result is that play is almost continuous and uninterrupted until a goal is scored. This may be—and is—strenuous for the player, but it is a joy to the spectator.

Right from the start, ice hockey rules set the field of play on the small side. Maximum is 80 by 40 metres (about 260 ft. by 130 ft.), but the usual size is nearer 180 ft. by 75 ft. Solid wooden barriers 3 ft. 6 in. high go

completely around the edges of the playing area. The two goals are 6 ft. wide, 4 ft. high with a netted back, and they are set about 15 ft. from the back-board at each end, so that players can skate freely behind.

These rink sizes, and the fact that they could be varied within limits, made the game convenient for the local frozen pond — and equally convenient for the indoor artificially-frozen rinks that started to be built in the first years of the century. These gave a tremendous fillip to the new game; they enable the natural season to be extended indefinitely, and gave comfort to the assembly of spectators.

So much for the field of battle; the implements used are a little like hockey sticks, but flattened so they can be swept along the ice, and much larger and heavier. The bone of contention is the "puck," a flat piece of solid rubber, three in. diameter and one inch thick, weighing about six ounces. There are six contestants a side, made up of goal-keeper; left and right defences; left wing, centre and right wing forwards.

The centre of the rink is marked. Play begins by the referee dropping the puck in the centre, then hastily withdrawing himself so as not to impede the rush of play. The rules emanate from the International Ice Hockey League, basically a Canadian body. Tripping, roughness, slashing with the stick, call for penalties; so does off-side, the rule is fairly simple and infringements not as frequent as in some brands of football. Offending players are penalised by the referee; two minutes for a minor infringement, five or more minutes for a second offence or a major break. During penalty-time, the player is off the rink, and his team plays

short — drastic, but the rule keeps down infringements of all types. There are some variations in rules between the amateur and the professional games, principally in the substitution and playing-time rules. The professional game, the top game for popularity, allows unlimited substitution. Play is for three twenty-minute periods, with a ten-minute break between each. In the case of a draw at "time," there is a play-off after a spell on the sudden-death principle — the first to score is the winner.

In Canada, the game is as popular with players and spectators as our four football codes rolled into one. Every hamlet has a rink, outdoors if the place is small; but any town of any size has a fine roomy indoor rink, with seating for thousands of paying spectators. There is one major professional league, the National Hockey League; and more than a dozen sectional and district leagues in opposition. And, of course, many competitive grades in the amateur field. The game has spread to the northern States of the

U.S.A., and to most countries of Europe — there is even an occasional game in Sydney at the Glaciarium or Ice Palais. But there is no doubt of the dominant hold that Canada has on international competition — travelling Canadian teams rarely have a goal taken off them, let alone lose a match.

The game has to be seen for the swiftness, the skill of professional players to be believed. The skating is of a quality quite unlike the graceful style of figure skating. It calls for a close, choppy stride, with amazing control and the ability to stop-turn-start in a split second and on a sixpence. Even more important than skating ability is stick-control. There are dozens of stick-techniques in passing an opponent's tackle, from driving the puck between his legs to flipping it against the sideboards and catching it on the rebound. Similarly, in taking the puck away from an attacker, every trick to break the rhythm of his stride, to force him off balance; even the sandwiching of an attacker between two defenders, commonly known as a "hoist." And all this at speeds up to thirty miles an hour and more, according to reliable assessments.

Ice Hockey, developed in Canada to while away the tedium of the long, cold winter, has become an apt expression of much of the Canadian temperament. Skilful, but very different from the measured cunning of cricket; rugged, but very different from the burly ruggedness of Rugby; clever in teamwork, but very different from the chess-like moves of the American grid game; fast, but very different from the individual swift duel of tennis. It's a game worth watching.

OBITUARIES

F. J. HERLIHY,

Elected 11/9/1950;

Died 18/9/1951.

A. D. SWAN,

Elected 13/5/1918;

Died 20/9/1951.

NORMAN McLEOD,

Elected 20/7/1936;

Died 27/9/1951.

PETER TAIT,

Elected 24/7/1939;

Died 27/9/1951.

SUMMARY OF SPORTS

RUGBY UNION

RUGBY UNION ended on a high note this season with Sydney University winning the premiership after a series of stirring displays in the semi-finals, final and grand final. These games showed that there is still nothing wrong with the game nor Australian players when such fine football can be produced.

The displays were most heartening for Rugby Union supporters after the disappointing series of defeats at the hands of the All Blacks earlier in the season.

There was a marked New Zealand influence in the efforts of University and Eastern Suburbs teams which contested the grand final.

The winning Sydney University fifteen included three New Zealand born players in Ranfurly Jacobs (a Maori), Keith Gudsell and Elliott Masters.

Jacobs, who led University, and whose play contributed most to University's success, toured Fiji with a Maori representative team in 1948 before coming to Sydney to study veterinary science at Sydney University.

Gudsell, another vet. science student, was a member of the All Blacks team in South Africa in 1949 while Elliott Masters is a son of a former All Black, Harold Masters.

University had other internationals in Dave Brockhoff, speedy breakaway forward, John Solomon, Ralph Garner, and Dick Tooth.

Garner, a brilliant try-getter for the Australian team in New Zealand in 1949, showed he still

has no peer as a scoring winger in this country by notching three tries in the grand final.

He had shown in the University Test matches against N.Z. University, earlier in the season, that his form was all right. His subsequent omission from the Test teams against the All Blacks when Australia badly needed outstanding wingers, demonstrated the unsoundness which has been alleged against the work of Rugby Union Test selectors.

Eastern Suburbs, runners-up in the Rugby Union premiership, have been kept in the forefront for years by the coaching of Ted Jessep, a former All Black. This ex-New Zealander has given proof, year after year, that he is without peer as a coach if results are to be the guide.

Eastern Suburbs first, reserve, and third grade teams contested the grand finals. No club had carried off these three premierships since Glebe Club did so in the first year of district football in 1900. Easts third team landed their premiership but Easts reserves and firsts went under to Manly and University respectively.

TENNIS

DWIGHT F. DAVIS, donor of the famous tennis Cup that bears his name, had the distinction of being in the first team to win the Cup.

The series commenced in 1900 with a match between America and Great Britain.

It was the outcome of an idea of Dr. James Dwight, a great American player of the 1880's. The sporting doctor had been campaigning for three years and

finally Dwight Davis, a prominent American player offered to give a trophy for competition with Great Britain.

Davis at the time was a student at Harvard. He provided the massive silver bowl which now is but a third of the trophy.

After 21 years the Cup itself was covered with inscriptions and a tray was added. Later a walnut base became the third piece.

Davis, with Malcolm Whitman and Holcombe Ward played in the first defence of the Cup in 1900 and beat the English team 5-nil.

Whitman was the star of the first three challenge rounds and pioneered the now accepted American method of rushing the net.

Whitman's tactics were to get to the net as quickly as possible and then defy the opposition to pass him.

Holcombe Ward partnered Davis in the first doubles in 1900 and then was still going strongly in 1906 when he played singles as well as doubles.

Expenses paid to tennis players seems a sore point to sticklers for amateurism on the grounds that the game should be kept exclusive.

So it is interesting to look back to the early days when the Davis Cup had not even come into being and note the outlook on expenses.

In 1897, when Dr. Dwight was trying to start the international series he wrote to England that the United States L.T.A. would be prepared to pay £40 for each player's steamship passage and also £10 for railway fares.

TOPICS

in 60-second sketches

RUGBY LEAGUE

THOUGH "rolled into the ground" by South Sydney, 42-14, in the Rugby League grand final at the Sports Ground on September 23, "baby" club Manly-Warringah are rightly feeling a little smug over their performance this season.

It is only five years since Manly was given grade status, and as late as last season there was some agitation to eliminate the club because of its indifferent performances.

Barely 12 months after the insistent rumour that Manly would be forced out of the competition, the club finished second in the minor premiership and went on to win through to the grand final.

This miraculous reversal of form is simply explained, however, in the enthusiasm and drive of club member, Mr. Len Hogan, an estimating engineer in the N.S.W. Railways.

In the 1949 off-season, Mr. Hogan realised that without importing key players, Manly would never make the grade.

He also realised that to get those players Manly would need a lot more money than the meagre amount the club could afford to offer.

After a little over five months, Mr. Hogan handed to Manly £1,000, the great bulk of which came from weekly donations, few bigger than two shillings.

He had recruited a band of collectors, organised them into districts and, as his enthusiasm caught on, so the fund grew.

With that £1,000 Manly were able to procure Wally O'Connell as player-coach, Kangaroo

hooker Kev Schubert, and the season's leading point scorer, Ron Rowles.

Injuries and international matches deprived Manly of Schubert's services for many matches in 1950, while O'Connell was ruled ineligible for Manly on residential grounds.

But with injuries interfering little with the team this season and O'Connell leading the side from the ground instead of the side line; Manly gave the premiership a "real fright."

The seaiders were naturally disappointed in getting so close to success then falling down, but it has dimmed their enthusiasm to no appreciable degree.

Plans already are under way to strengthen the side for next year and the club's talent scouts,

with money to spend after a bumper season, have promised at least two surprise signing-up announcements in the near future.

BOXING

SIX Australians, in relatively recent years of the glove game, have been prospective world champions.

Only the opportunity was required, but always it evaded them.

Running up through the divisions the names are: Vic Patrick (lightweight); Jack Carroll (welterweight); Ron Richards, Fred Henneberry, Ambrose Palmer and Dave Sands (middle-weights); and Palmer and Sands also light heavies.

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SPORTS TOPICS—

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Jim Carruthers (bantam) is another who must be tagged on the list.

Carruthers gets the greatest chance of all, for he has been promised a world title fight with the holder, Vic Toweel, in Johannesburg, South Africa, next February.

Delays in Australia over acceptance of proposals by London promoter Jack Solomons, spoil Sands' opportunity of figuring in contests which could have gained him a middleweight title fight with "Sugar" Ray Robinson.

Instead, Britisher Randolph Turpin, who beat Robinson at Earl's Court, London, and soon afterwards lost his championship to Robinson in New York, earned all the big money.

Now Sands is trying to battle his way back to the status of challenger.

Patrick had world title quality long before he fought No. 1 championship contender, coloured Fred Dawson, at Sydney Stadium.

Patrick was over the crest of his form that night in 1947, but was within an ace of stopping Dawson.

Richards wasn't given any inducements to go overseas, but in 1938 at the Sydney Sports

Ground he gave American Gus Lesnevich a terrific thrashing to gain a points decision.

Lesnevich went home and won the world light heavyweight title, which he held from then until recently.

That's how close Richards was to the championship.

Palmer, one of the fastest men of his weight boxing here has known, went to England in 1935. He had only one contest abroad, outpointing Canadian Eddie Wenstob in London.

Carroll was to have fought world welterweight champion of the time, Barney Ross, in Sydney, but negotiations collapsed when Ross wanted all his money from the fight lodged in advance in an American bank. Critics, who had seen both, stated the wizardry of Carroll would have overwhelmed Ross.

Henneberry visited England and America and had a highly creditable record, losing only one fight out of four, and that

on a dubious foul, to Dai Jones in London in 1939.

In the years long before these personalities, Les Darcy was regarded not only by Australians but competent Americans who had seen him as the supreme middleweight in the world.

Darcy's frustration is one of the tragic stories of the game.

Back into the past before Darcy, Australian featherweight, Young Griffo, was incomparable in his division.

Authorities of his time were unanimous Griffo won the world championship when he beat Torpedo Billy Murphy in 15 rounds in Sydney in 1890.

Murphy had returned from America with the title. His fight with Griffo was for a purse of 200 sovereigns.

Unable to deal with the nimble Griffo, Murphy pulled his gloves off in exasperation.

The record books to this day ignore Griffo's rightful old claim.

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RIVOLI sired some first-class horses by then Queensland standards, but Mr. Barnes could never convince himself that any was good enough to win the "big Cup." He bred the winner of a Brisbane Cup and a Queensland Cup but the horse that he looked for did not come up.

When advancing age caused him to hand over his stud to Mr. C. E. Barnes, the son took on the father's job. Rivoli died, but one of the mares that he left behind was Perfect Morn, a lineal descendant of the famous mare, Sappho. Put to The Buzzard (imp.) she produced a colt, which Mr. Barnes subsequently gelded, but which he named Basha Felika.

Trained by the late A. G. Anderson, who was well known for his kindness to his charges, Basha Felika went through the minor class races at Eagle Farm and Doomben and then tackled the Derby. He won it well. Eased, he was out into work with this year's Melbourne Cup as his long range goal.

It was for that goal that Mr. Barnes passed over the £2,000 Queensland Cup, which looked at his mercy after his Derby win, the £12,000 Brisbane Cup (run two days after he bolted in with the St. Leger, run in Brisbane over 14 furlongs and 132 yards), and the £5,000 Doomben Cup.

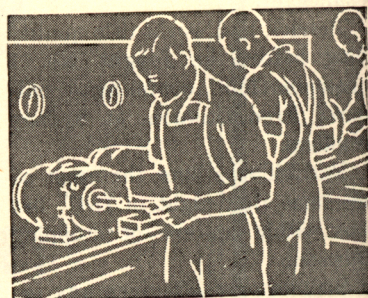
He won the mile and a half Jubilee Cup from Shanalen on May 9 and ran the journey in less than a second outside Falcon Knight's record which he put up when he beat Hiraji. Then he was sent to Toowoomba so that he might become accustomed to conditions approximating to those in Melbourne in the Spring.

Basha Felika, at his first run after a let-up, won a 6 furlong Flying at Eagle Farm in 1.12, and three weeks later comfortably took the first running of the 10 furlong w.f.a. Barnes Stakes.

He had his first start in Melbourne when he ran second to Chicquita over 10 furlongs and

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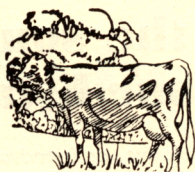
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SPORTS PERSONALITIES OF THE MONTH

Meet — *The West Indians*

Starting with a benefit-match at North Sydney on Saturday, 20th, the West Indian cricketers will be out to test the mettle of the Australian game. Australian cricket has been so successful in international competition since the war that there is a strong possibility that we may have become complacent. If so, the West Indies sportsmen will find it out. But whether they win or lose, it's certain that they will be good for our cricket, with their bright sportsmanship, their light-hearted approach and obvious pleasure in playing the game well.

IT is difficult to probe the air of mystery which surrounds the world's best slow bowler, Sonny Ramadhin.

Like his "associate in crime," Alfred Valentine, he seldom talks.

This diminutive West Indian makes his appeals to the umpire like a junior asking his boss for a rise and with equal apprehension.

"Ram" never takes his cap off on the field. Modesty and the desire to conserve his energy are responsible for this.

He has heard of too many slow bowlers throwing their caps in the air when wickets come their way.

As a gentle reminder to Australian batsmen, this lad got almost double the number of wickets which fell to Australian slow bowlers during their respective tours to England recently.

In Tests alone he captured 26 at an average of 23. The W.I. played only four Tests; we play five.

"Ram" is really the mystery bowler of the party. No English batsman could pick his off break from the leg break.

He does not come under the heading of "googly" bowlers,

who bowl the off break with apparently the same action as the leg break.

He bowls the ball out of the front of the hand, and gives it a peculiar "snap" as he lets it go.

Despite tremendous powers of concentration, like his companion Valentine, he is sensitive to atmosphere.

So perfect in his control, so sensitive the flight of the ball that a gusty wind, however slight, will throw him off his balance during his approach to the wicket.

He keeps to himself, hates rush and bustle and noisy thoroughfares, but likes blood and thunder on the screen.

The "Ram's" counterpart, Alfred Lewis Valentine, the six-foot Jamaican, was born in June, 1930, a month after Ramadhin. Both were under 20 when they arrived in England.

John Douglas Claude Goddard, West Indies' most successful skipper, has just turned 31. He hopes to have a happy tour, unless people call him Claude.

Although we have never seen him on the field he seems to have all the attributes of a good captain. He has read all about

the Australians and their performances, thinks the Australian pitches will suit his batsmen down to the ground.

Although confident about his attack, he is reserving definite judgment until he sees how the pitch behaves on the second or third day.

He is interested in bloodstock and, not being a gambler, is a lover of racing for the sport itself.

He regards himself lucky to have the three W's — Frank Worrell, Everton de Courcey Weekes, and Clyde Walcott — with him, and feels this great trio will give Australian enthusiasts the brand of batting they have been waiting for.

In addition, he has great admiration for that brilliant batsman of German descent, Jeffrey Baxter Stollmeyer, and the other

opener, but more sedate batsman, Allan Fitzroy Ray.

The stylist of the younger brigade, Roy Marshall, 21, is also expected to score heavily in Australia.

John Goddard is a family man, with four daughters, all of whose names begin with "M."

He belongs to a business family who buy tons of meat, fruit and dried milk from Australia, and in return send to this country products of the W.I.s.

Goddard looks like being a pretty good match for any opposing captain in this country, but modestly admits he should do well if he gets the breaks — even those from Iverson.

Taking the West Indians as a body, they appear to be less grim than we Australians, and far less dour than the average English professional.

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CHARLIE YOUNG—

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In inter-club games they met Hooper, greatest amateur of his era.

Charlie recalled an incident in which Hooper figured. The great cueist had come out of retirement to play against Tattersall's Club in an inter-club game.

Charlie said to Bill Longworth: "As you won the State championship at Billiards, Hooper will naturally expect that you should be drawn against him even in a Snooker game. I'll play against him and the surprise may dumbfound him."

So it proved. Hooper drove hard into the balls with his opening shot, the balls ran

sweetly for Charlie, and Hooper did not get in until too late.

Hooper said to Bill Longworth before starting the game: "You know, I thought we would be drawn against one another."

Charlie says of Hans Robertson: "The greatest potter of a ball I ever played against; but, although State champion at Snooker, he lacked that extra cleverness in safety play that would have made him even greater.

"When I defeated Hans at Snooker in a Club tournament, the decision went on the aggregate of three games, which favoured the better player, Hans wanted snookers before the last red was potted in the final game."

"Arthur Miller was one of the prettiest players we had and might have won the State championship twice had he appreciated when to leave off making a break instead of going after something almost impossible. By attempting that he let his opponent in.

"Bill Longworth was always one of the hardest players to beat because of his lack of nerves, because of his possession of skill and the cool deliberation with which he went about winning.

"The late Hugh Emerson used to make breaks of 100 daily but, such was his temperament, that he could never reproduce that form in tournaments."

Charlie Young played golf and won various competitions. He rates as his finest achievement the winning of the Open Stroke Handicap of N.S.W.

He was one who helped to form Tattersall's Bowling Club which, he says, has rendered splendid service in bringing about a closer fellowship.

First bowls competition was a handicap fours. In this he skipped the winning rink. Next competitive game his rink got into the final but went under to the rink skipped by Norbert Jones.

Charlie says: "I have been a member of Tattersall's Club for more than 20 years. The fraternity among members is not excelled in any other club in the world."

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Looking Back on Tattersall's Club

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IN 1930, as to-day, the month of September saw a rest in competitive swimming in the pool. Races for the Dewar Cup were scheduled to start again on October 23, and advantage was taken of the gathering on that day to present the trophy for the previous year's competition to Hans Robertson. That same gentleman is in the news again in this issue, but in a different field.

SEPTEMBER, 1930, saw the final play in that year's Billiards and Snooker Tournaments. In the Billiards, J. Kelso met "Macleay" in the semi-final, winning a very close and exciting game by 10. In the final, played on 26th September, Kelso met the other semi-finalist, "Corra Lynn," and romped away to win by 77. In the Snooker, J. L. Normoyle won from C. Young by two frames to one.

OBITUARY notices of that month included Mr. J. B. Olliffe at the age of 95. Mr. Olliffe's membership went back almost to the foundation of Tattersall's, and he had served for eleven years as Chairman, 25 years as Secretary.

AMONG the advertisements for October, 1930, was one announcing suits-to-measure for £5/5/-. And another offering a gentleman's residence, overlooking Centennial Park (four bedrooms, two reception rooms, billiard room, two-car garage), for £3,750.

THE issue of October, 1930, saw one of the first mentions of the Club's handball players, although handball had been an attraction on the third floor right from the time it was opened in 1927. A handicap sweep of fifteen players had just been completed, E. T. Kennedy being the winner on handicap. Honours went, however, to Billy Williams, who went through the competition without losing a game to score the possible of 360 points. Prize to Kennedy was a steel-shafted golf club, so apparently he was an exponent of that game, too.

THE Golf Club held its regular monthly outing at Roseville. W. E. Forsyth headed the field with 7-up, E. W. Forsyth being second. A further fixture was listed for the month, at Concord.

PERSONAL notes of October, 1930: Dinner dance in the Club was a great success, with Ted Henkel bringing along the band, ballet and artists of the Capitol Theatre to entertain members. Distinguished visitor to the Club was High Court Judge Sir Frank Gavan Duffy. Lionel Bloom, Dave Levy, Albert Sluice, Leon Vandenberg, Nat Seamonds had just returned from abroad. A number of New Zealand sportsmen were visiting the Club — among them Jack Cameron, owner of The Hawk and Fred Jones, trainer of Limerick, Fred Earl, K.C., who at one time was owner of Windbag.

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(At Canterbury Park)

Sydney Turf Club Sat. 10
(At Canterbury Park)

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Sat. 17

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A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Sat. 1

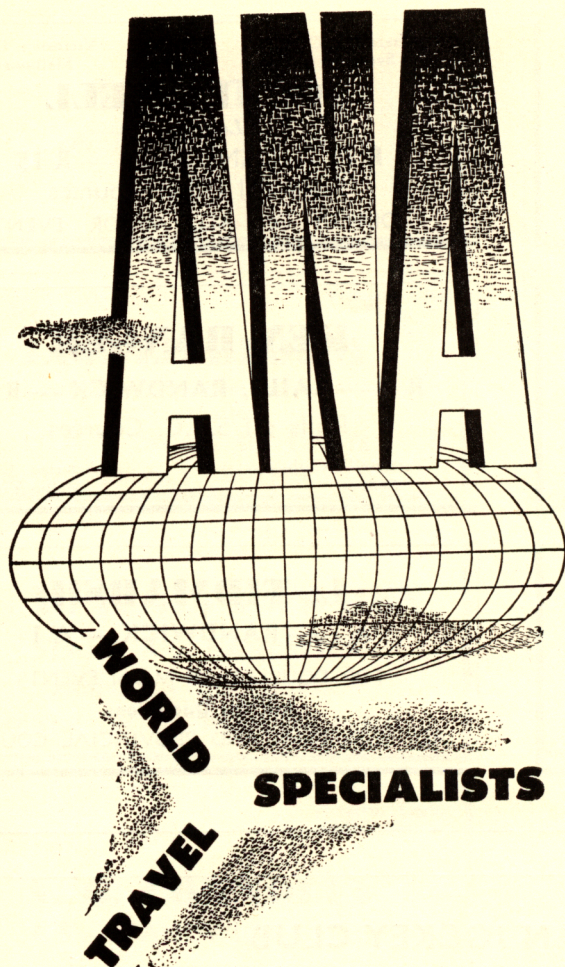
Sydney Turf Club Sat. 8
(At Rosehill)

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PICTURE OF THE MONTH



John Roles receives Honorary Life Membership

From time to time, the Club honours members who have been outstanding in their years of membership or years of service, by vesting them with Honorary Life Membership. Mr. John Roles qualifies very definitely on both counts. A member of Tattersall's Club since 1911, he has served on the Committee since April 24, 1924. Since May, 1949, he has most capably filled the office of Treasurer. One of his par-

ticular interests has been—and still is—the Bowling Club, of which he was President for many years.

Above you see the Chairman, Mr. John Hickey, and Mr. John Roles, most happily pictured at the gathering of members in the Clubroom on 27th of September, when Mr. Roles was formally presented with his Honorary Life Membership badge.

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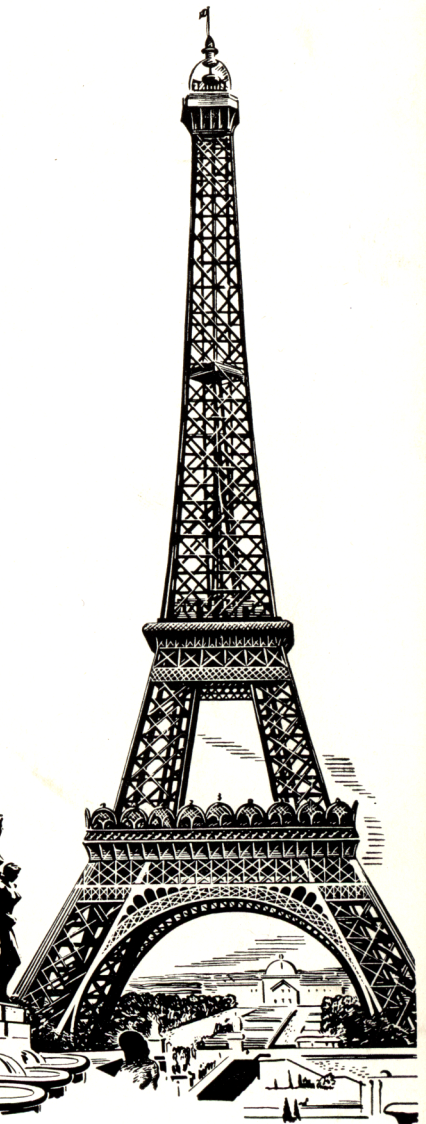
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